



Having Trouble Saying No?

- Do you know about sexually transmitted diseases, like AIDS?
- Do you know the father of a child born out of wedlock is responsible for the cost of raising that child?
- Do you know abstinence from sexual activity is the only certain way to avoid out-of-wedlock pregnancy, sexually transmitted diseases and other associated health problems?
- **Do you know you can go to jail for having sex?**

Statutory Rape Laws

Per OCGA 16-6-3

- Having sexual intercourse with someone under 16 is a *crime*, even if that person says “yes” or lies about her age.
- If one of the partners is 17, he or she will be charged in *adult court*. It doesn’t matter if you are male or female.
- If both partners are between 14 and 18 years old, the punishment is not as severe. But it’s *still a crime*.
- If the older partner is over 18 or the younger partner is under 14, the penalty for the other partner is one to 20 years *in prison*.
- If the older partner is 21 or older, the minimum sentence is *ten years* in prison.

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